

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article comprising:
an absorbent sandwiched between a body fluid permeable surface member and a body fluid impermeable back member, ~~characterized in that~~
wherein said absorbent includes an upper layer and a lower layer sequentially from the side of said body fluid permeable surface member; ~~and in that~~
wherein said lower layer has a higher density than that of said upper layer[[.]]; wherein a squeeze-out portion is formed in said lower layer of absorbent by squeezing out at least two side portions of said lower layer from end portions of said upper layer; and
wherein said absorbent has relations of $B > A$ and $B > C$, when said upper layer has a density A, a portion corresponding to said upper layer in said lower layer has a density B, and said squeeze-out portion of said lower layer has a density C.
2. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 1, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein the density of said lower layer is ~~made~~ higher than that of said upper layer by forming indented recesses in the lower layer of said absorbent.
3. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim [[1]]2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said absorbent has said indented recesses are formed in the a body side face of said lower layer.
4. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim [[1]]2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said absorbent has said indented recesses are formed in the an opposite side face of ~~the~~ body side face of said lower layer.

5. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim ~~[[3]]~~2, ~~characterized in that wherein both the a contact portion in said absorbent with said body fluid permeable surface member in said absorbent and the a contact portion with said absorbent in said body fluid permeable surface member with said absorbent~~ do not have the a clearance, which might otherwise be caused by forming said indented recesses.
6. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ said body fluid permeable surface member is either a top sheet ~~to contacting with the a body, or said top sheet and~~ a second sheet sandwiched between said top sheet and said absorbent.
7. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim ~~[[4]]~~1, ~~characterized in that wherein said absorbent is not provided, at the portion in said upper layer to contact with said lower layer and at the portion in said lower layer to contact with said upper layer, with the clearance, both a contact portion with said lower layer in said upper layer and a contact portion with said upper layer in said lower layer do not have any clearance,~~ which might otherwise be caused by forming said indented recesses.
8. (canceled)
9. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim ~~[[8]]~~1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the density A of said upper layer and the density C of the squeeze-out portion of said lower layer have a relation of $C > A$.
10. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim ~~[[8]]~~1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the density A of said upper layer is 20 to 50 Kg/m³; ~~in that and wherein~~ the density B of the portion ~~in said lower layer to corresponding to said upper layer in said lower layer~~ is 40 to 120Kg/m³; and ~~in that wherein~~ the density C of the squeeze-out portion of said lower layer is 20 to 80 Kg/m³.

11. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said indented recesses are ~~the~~ recesses of ~~the~~ emboss patterns formed by an embossing treatment; and ~~in that~~ wherein the recesses of said emboss patterns have an array, in which the shortest mutual distance is 3 mm or less.

12. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said indented recesses are formed into a continuous net shape.

13. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said indented recesses have an emboss percentage of 30 to 55%, as determined as by the ratio of the thicknesses before and after an embossing treatment.

14. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said indented recesses are formed ~~of~~ in linear portions having an angle of 45 degrees or less between ~~the~~ an inclination direction of said indented recesses and ~~the~~ a longitudinal direction of the article.

15. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said indented recesses are formed ~~of~~ in linear portions having an angle larger than 45 degrees between ~~the~~ an inclination direction of said indented recesses and ~~the~~ a longitudinal direction of the article; and ~~in that~~ wherein a length of the linear portions of said article in the longitudinal direction are longer than ~~these~~ a length of linear portions of in said inclination direction.

16. (currently amended): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 2, ~~characterized in that~~ wherein said indented recesses are formed ~~of~~ in linear portions having an angle larger than 45 degrees between ~~the~~ an inclination direction of said indented recesses and ~~the~~ a longitudinal direction of the article; and ~~in that~~ wherein a width of the linear portions in the longitudinal direction of said article ~~in the longitudinal~~

~~direction~~ are wider than ~~those~~ a width of the linear portions in of said inclination direction.

17. (new): A body fluid absorbing article as set forth in claim 1, wherein said indented recesses that extend from the side of the body fluid impermeable back member of said lower layer into said upper layer are formed in said absorbent.